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Chipped Stone Artifacts

Arrowpoints

172 324 411 Most prominent in the category of Minsi chipped stone implements is the triangular arrowpoint. While several forms of triangular points occur, the vast majority of Minsi points are equilateral triangles with concave bases. A considerable number of equilateral triangular points also occur with straight bases. (Plate 11, Nos. 14 and 11, shows concave-base points; Nos. 11, 12, and 13 have straight bases.)

The materials of which Minsi chipped implements found in the Milford area are [803] made include jasper (brown, yellow, red), argillite, black, white and gray chert, and a chalcedony-like material. By far the most commonly-used of these materials were argillite and black chert.

Knives

172 324 412 Although knives of several types (ovate, large triangular, broad side-notched, etc.) have been found on sites generally conceded to be Minsi, this kind of implement is not typical of the culture.

Scrapers

Both side scrapers, consisting of retouched flakes, and end scrapers occur in the Minsi Culture, but not to the extent that they are found in the much older Laurentian horizon.

The most prominent, in fact, almost the exclusive form of end scraper is the ovate type. The keeled back form is a very poor second and while occurring, is, like the chipped knife, not typical of the culture. (Plate 11, Nos. 7, 8, 9, shows end scrapers from a large site near Milford, Pa., generally conceded to be Minsi.)

Drills

Although Ritchie's statistics (Bell-Philhower report, p. 236) would lead one to the conclusion that drills are comparatively minor artifacts in the total Minsi series,